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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF CLAUDE BEKINS, US COMMISSER GENERAL
FOR SPOKANE EXPO'74.

REF: STATE 245674

1. EMBASSY WELCOMES DECEMBER 3-6 PARIS VISIT BY CLAUDE
BEKINS, COMMISSIONER GENERAL FOR SPOKANE EXPO'74 TO MAKE
FINAL REPORT ON EXPO'74 TO BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL EXPO-
SITIONS. CONTROL OFFICER FOR VISIT IS JOAN PLAISTED,
ASSISTANT COMMERCIAL ATTACHE, WHO WILL MEET PARTY ON
ARRIVAL.

2. HOTEL RESERVATIONS MADE AT RITZ FOR NIGHTS DECEMBER
3-5 FOR MR. AND MRS. BEKINS, COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF US
PAVILION, JAMES G. CRITZER AND MRS. CRITZER, AND DEPUTY
COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF EXPO'74 EDWARD SIMMONS.

3. FOLLOWING IS TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR BEKINS VISIT:

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11:00 - PARTY MET AT ORLY BY MS. PLAISTED AND TAKEN TO

RITZ HOTEL.

13:00 - STAG LUNCHEON HOSTED BY ECONOMIC COMMERCIAL
MINISTER CHRIS G. PETROW IN HONOR MR. BEKINS.
MR. CRITZER, MR. SIMMONS, MR. J. WILLIAM NELSON,
MR. RENE CHALON (BIE SECRETARY GENERAL), AND
LEADING MEMBERS OF FRENCH AND AMERICAN BUSINESS
COMMUNITIES.

15:30 - BRIEFING AT EMBASSY FOR BIE MEETING, IN-
CLUDING DRY-RUN OF SPEECH.

DECEMBER 4

10:00 - 76TH SESSION OF BIE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AT L'UNION
INTERNATIONALE DES CHEMINS DE FER, 14-16 RUE JEAN
REY, 75015 PARIS.

15:30 - APPROXIMATE AGENDA TIMING FOR MR. BEKINS' FINAL
REPORT ON SPOKANE EXPO.

20:30 - DINNER WITH ECONOMIC COMMERCIAL MINISTER AND
MRS. CHRIS G. PETROW.

DECEMBER 5

10:00 - VISIT OF PARIS TRADE CENTER CONDUCTED BY JAMES
MOORHOUSE, TRADE CENTER DIRECTOR.

12:30 - LUNCHEON ADDRESS ON SPOKANE EXPO TO AMERICAN CLUB
OF PARIS, CERCLE INTERALLIE, 33 FAUBOURG SAINT-
HONORE.

15:00 - COURTESY CALL ON AMBASSADOR KENNETH RUSH.

DECEMBER 6

8:30 - DEPART FOR VIENNA VIA AF 782. IT IS NOTED THAT,
ACCORDING TO REFTEL, MR. SIMMONS DEPARTS ORLY VIA
BOAC 60. A CHECK WITH THE AIRLINE REVEALED NO
SUCH FLIGHT. INSTEAD, MR. SIMMONS COULD REACH
LONDON BY DEPARTING VIA BEA 003 AT 8.45 A.M.
WHICH ARRIVES LONDON TIME 8.45 A.M. ALSO, IN TI-
ME TO CONNECT WITH PA 107 DEPARTING LONDON AT
10.50.

4. EMBASSY IS ARRANGING SEPARATE SCHEDULE FOR MRS. BEKINS
AND MRS. CRITZER, TO INCLUDE TENTATIVELY:

DECEMBER 3: SHOPPING EXCURSION, RUE DE RIVOLI AND FAU-
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BOURG SAINT-HONORE AND INFORMAL LUNCH.

DECEMBER 4: EXCURSION TO CHATEAU DE CHANTILLY.

DECEMBER 5: LOUVRE.

5. PLEASE ADVISE IF ANY OTHER ARRANGEMENTS/RESERVATIONS
DESIRED. FOR INSTANCE IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO RESERVE
SEATS FOR OFFENBACH'S OPERETTA "LA VIE PARISIENNE",
DECEMBER 5 AT 8:30 P.M. AT THE OPERA STUDIO.

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